

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The present amendments make a minor deletion of the word "entire" in Claim 14 (as presented in the previous amendments filed March 30 and April 17, 2009).

The previously stated arguments of the current claims over the prior art of record are herein incorporated by reference.

Having responded to all objections and rejections set forth in the outstanding Official Action, it is submitted that remaining claims 1, 2, 4, 6-8, 10, 11, 14, 15 and 17-19 are in condition for allowance and notice to that effect is respectfully solicited. In the event the Examiner is of the opinion that a brief telephone or personal interview will facilitate allowance of one or more of the above claims, he is respectfully requested to contact Applicants' undersigned representative.

Respectfully submitted,

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